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TAGS: OREP (O'NEILL, THOMAS)

SUBJECT: CODEL O'NEILL PRESS COVERAGE

- 1. PRESS COVERAGE OF VISIT OF CODEL O'NEIL QUITE EXTENSIVE.
 ALL THREE ARABIC LANGUAGE DAILIES AS WELL AS ENGLISH LANGUAGE
 DAILY CARRIED MAJOR FRONT PAGE STORIES ON APRIL 3 OF CODEL'S
 MEETING WITH PRESIDENT AND MRS. SADAT. ARTICLES ACCOMPANIED
 BY THREE COLUMN PHOTO OF PRESIDENT AND MRS. SADAT GREETING
 CONGRESSMEN. STORIES NOTED PRESIDENT'S REMARKS ON NON-BELLIGERENCY,
 RE-OPENING OF CANAL, EXTENSION OF UNEF MANDATE AND PARTICIPATION
 OF NON-ALIGNED AT GENEVA CONFERENCE, BUT MENTIONED ONLY IN PASSING
 THAT DETAILS OF RECENT NEGOTIATIONS ALSO DISCUSSED. REPORTS
 EMPHASIZED CODEL'S EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION FOR SADAT'S "ATTITUDE"
 AND "EVIDENT DESIRE FOR PEACE" AS EXPRESSED IN HIS RECENT SPEECH.
- 2. TWO ARABIV DAILIES, GUMHURIYYA AND AL-AHRAM CARRIED LONG
 ARTICLES DESCRIBING CODEL'S MEETING WITH FONMIN FAHMY; FAHMY REPORTED
 AS COVERING FOLLOWING POINTS INTER ALIA: REASON FOR EXPULSION
 OF SOVIET EXPERTS; US AID TO ISRAEL HAD INCREASED ISRAEL'S
 INTRANSIGNECE; AND US MUST RECOGNIZE PLO IF ME PROBLEM IS TO
 BE SOLVED.
- 3. FURTHER ARTICLES IN AL-AHRAM AND ENGLISH DAILY EGYPTIAN GAZETTE NOTED THAT CODEL HAD MET WITH PRIMIN HEGAZY. REPORTS SAID DISCUSSIONS REVOLVED AROUND EGYPTIAN ECONOMY, THE "OPEN UNCLASSIFIED

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DOOR" ECONOMIC LIBERALIZATION POLICY AND PARTICIPATION OF PLO

AT GENEVA.

- 4. EARLIER COVERAGE LIMITED TO LONG ARTICLE IN GUMHURIYYA APRIL 2 ON DIALOGUE BETWEEN PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY SPEAKER MAR'I AND CODEL. ARTICLE NOTED EMPHASIS PLACED BY SPEAKER AND GOE PRESS SPOKESMAN TAHSIN BASHIR ON IMPORTANT ROLE CONGRESS PLAYS IN INFLUENCING OUTCOME OF ME NEGOTIATIONS.
- 5. ARTICLE BASED ON AL-AHRAM INTERVIEW WITH CHAIRMAN O'NEILL HAS NOT YET APPEARED.
- 6. PRESS CLIPPINGS AND FULL TASNSLATIONS OF ALL ARTICLES WILL BE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO MAJORITY LEADERS' OFFICE.

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